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The undersigned filed the application papers for the subject case and has personal knowledge of the facts recited hereinbelow.

There is a discrepancy between the filing date accorded by the Office (August 4, 2003) and the true date of deposit (August 5). For the following reasons, Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner to accord this application a filing date of August 5, 2003.

This application was filed on August 5, 2003, utilizing the Express Mail procedure specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.10. As required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(c)(3), and as proof this application was filed on August 5, 2003, Applicants annex a copy of the Express Mail label (no. EL 707010307 US) for this filing bearing a USPS cancellation stamp dated August 5, 2003.

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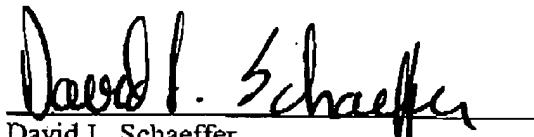
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No fees are believed to be owed in connection with this Preliminary Amendment. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees now or hereafter due to Deposit Account No. 19-4709.

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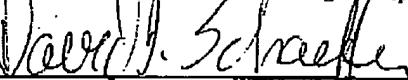
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